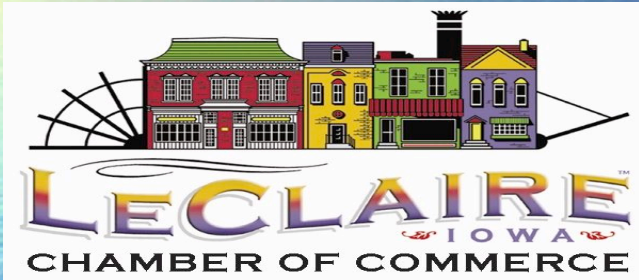


LeClaire Chamber of Commerce 2006 Annual Dinner

Friday January 20, 2006



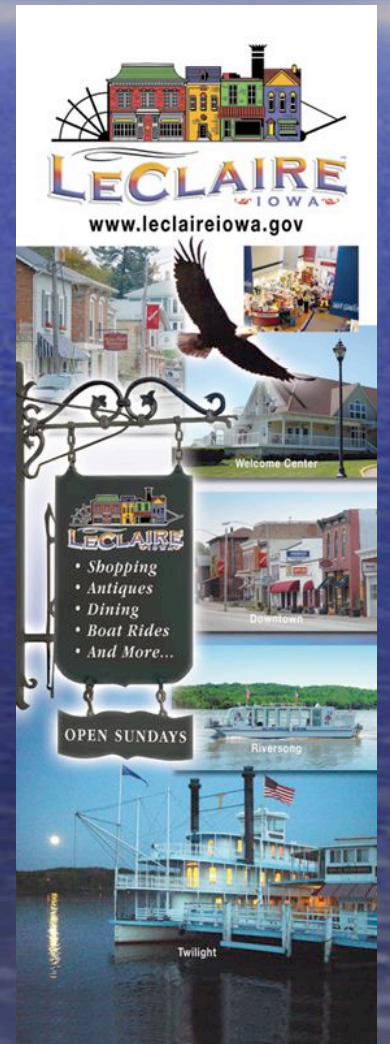
Welcome all!

2005 Highlights



2005 members

- 126 members!
- 35 new members in 2005!
- Convenient, secure online membership renewal option w/ Paypal system!



Chamber Communications

- Regular Chamber e-mails about community/local business events from LeClaireChamber@yahoo.com
- Quarterly Chamber newsletters sent to each home in LeClaire (1,900+)!
- Annual business directory printed
- Chamber webpage & updates on www.leclaireiowa.gov
- Chamber represented on other boards, groups



Chamber Quarterly Newsletter

- Thanks to this committee!: Amie Knox (ads), Chris Cournoyer, Cindy Bruhn, & Mary Ann Smutzer at House of Print for donation of layout time
- Promotion of LeClaire businesses, upcoming events, local groups, etc...
- Sent to every LeClaire home (over 1,900)!



Chamber Trivia Nights



- In 2005, Chamber donated **over \$7,000** for local non-profit LeClaire groups all from Trivia nights!...
- January just over \$1,000 to LeClaire Library
- February \$680+ to LeClaire Civic Center
- March \$725 to Girl Scouts
- April \$800 to LeClaire Chamber of Commerce
- May \$500 to Princeton Days
- June Aprox. \$600 to LeClaire Chamber of Commerce

- Thank you Trivia Committee!:
Deb Willaredt, Jean Houck,
Cindy Bruhn, Chris Cournoyer,
Tom Ervin, Rick Reed, others...



August
September
October
November
December

No Trivia held due to Tug Fest
\$690 for LeClaire Park Board
\$800+ for LeClaire Cub Scouts
\$800 for LeClaire Chamber
No Trivia held due to Christmas

- \$10 per person / tables of 8 / held
@ LeClaire Civic Center
- Sign up for next ones tomorrow, January 21 &
Saturday, February 18 2006 @ 7pm

Support of Community events

- January - Chamber Annual Dinner @ Kernan's
& Bald Eagle Days @ Welcome Center
- February  weekend
- April 15 – “Jazz on the Bluff”
- May – Spring Market Days



Support of Community events, continued ...

- July – “Hometown 4th of July”
- August – Tug Fest 2005



- September – Chamber Golf outing



@ Olathea



- Monthly Trivia nights January-November

Support of Community events, continued ...

- September 10th – Antique Tractor & Vintage Motorcycle show



- September 11th – 911 Firemen's Memorial Motorcycle Ride
- Friday-Saturday October 28-29–Autumn Market Days
- Sunday, October 9 – Apple Fest



Support of Community events,



continued ...

- Saturday, October 29 – Witches Walk/Costume parade / Amazing Race around LeClaire



- November – “Shopping 6 to 6” (Friday after Thanksgiving)
- December – Christmas in LeClaire



Christmas
in
LeClaire
2005



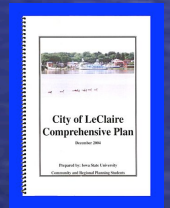
\$10 "Buffalo Bills" promotion

- From "Chamber bucks" idea
- Promotion continued in '05
- \$10 Wooden tokens can be purchased at local Chamber businesses and can be redeemed at any local Chamber business
- Great for gifts, incentives, etc... for people to shop LeClaire businesses!



Chamber projects

- ISU CD presentation on www.leclaireiowa.gov
- \$3,000 given towards new LeClaire billboard
- New Chamber banner for Community ribbon cuttings
- BLT "Beautify LeClaire Today" fund started for downtown improvements (\$500 seed money from Chamber @ both Great River Bank & Trust & First Central State Bank)
- \$500 given toward Princeton Days
- Joint Chamber/LDC meeting at LeClaire Fire Station on May 12th for ISU presentation
- Used laptop, projector & screen purchased for Chamber for Trivia nights, annual meetings, presentations, etc...- \$900!



Cooperate with Community Groups

- LeClaire Shopkeepers Marketing Alliance

- LeClaire Development Corporation



- City of LeClaire, PD, FD



- Buffalo Bill Museum



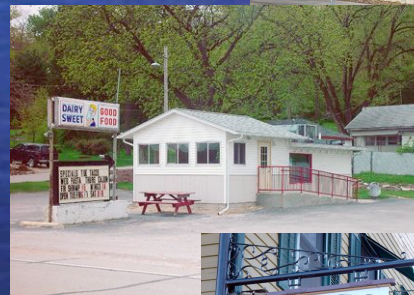
- LeClaire Community Library



- LeClaire Civic Club, Tourism Board & others! (attend meetings, on committees)

2005 Ribbon Cuttings for New Businesses!

- Teagarden Animal Grooming
- Hog Heaven Bed & Breakfast
- Riverview Urgent Care
- Big Dave's Dairy Sweet
- Home Sweet Home
- Olde Fashioned Candy Company
- Buffalo Bill Museum Cornerstone



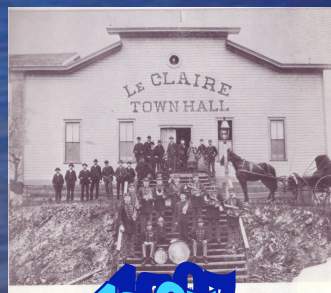
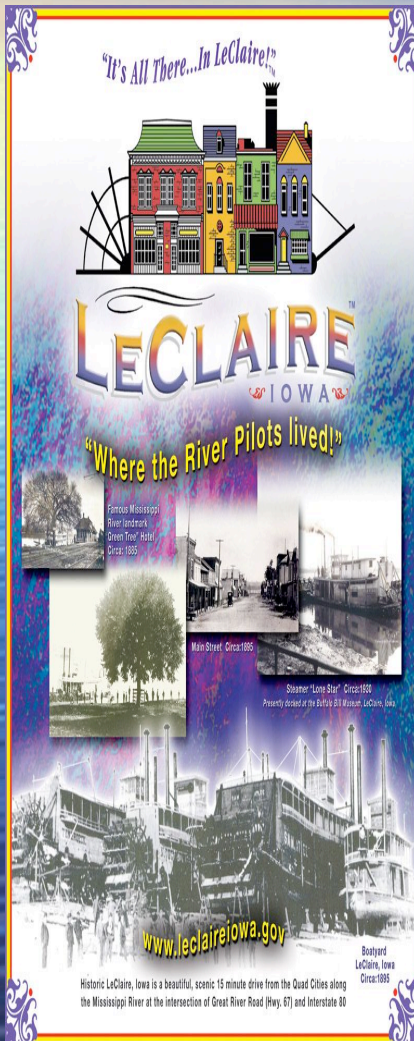
2005 Ribbon Cuttings for New Businesses!

- Little Irish Attic
- Kiddie Karrasel expansion
- LeClaire City Hall
- Holiday Inn Express
- Trees & Traditions
- Great River Spirits
- Edwards Creative Services



Thank you City of LeClaire & others for the progress!

- Jones Street – 4th street paving project
- “The Green Tree Grocery Building” remodel
- Riverfront Levee paving project
- X-Stream Cleanup (www.xstreamcleanup.org) (August, 2005)
- Artwork building & downtown improvements
- New City Hall – October, 2005

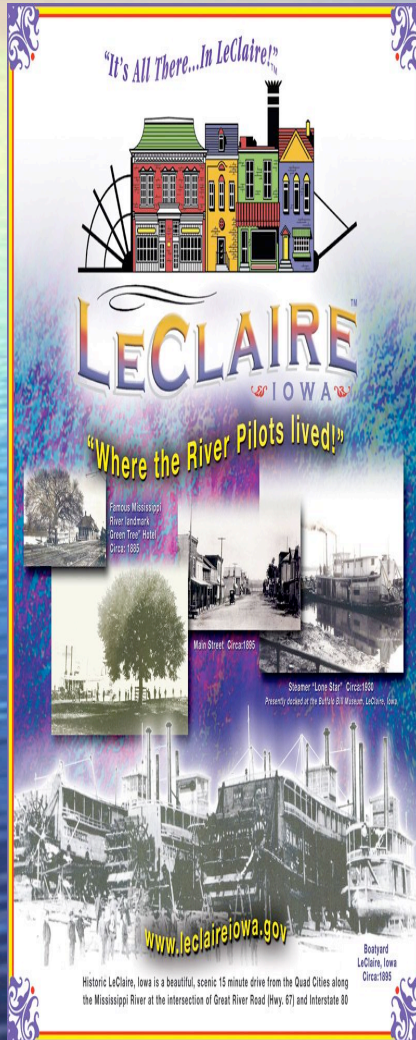


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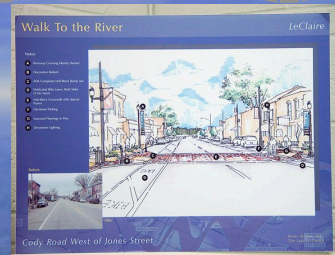
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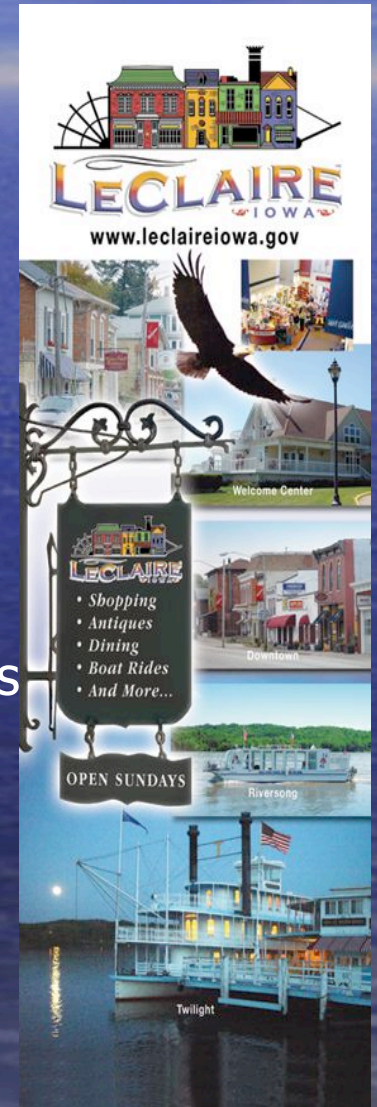
- Park Run apartments (Iowa Drive) completed
- Cody's Hunt addition begun/8th street
- Pebble Creek North & South additions
- New LeClaire Billboard on I-80
- I-80 / US 67 Interchange reconfiguration / stoplights
- Old 76 Gas Station torn down

**||State of the City||
Monday, January 23 @ 7pm
at LeClaire City Hall**

2006 plans/goals



- Goal of 130 Chamber members (Businesses & individuals)
- 501C4 application process considered for Chamber
- 2 more successful Chamber Golf outings
- Goal to have 2007 RAGBRI end in LeClaire
- Continued support of Tourism Board & Shopkeepers Alliances
- 12 "Lunch in LeClaire" Chamber meetings
- 2 Chamber Network nights
- Continued successful monthly Chamber Trivia nights
- Continued growth of all LeClaire Community events



Chamber meetings

- Board meetings – 4th Tuesday of each month (2006 board will be meeting monthly at local restaurants for breakfast or lunch)

(2005 at Steventons, Sneaky Pete's, Happy Joe's, Lydia's, Riverview Roadhouse, & "All aboard cruise"...)

- "Lunch in LeClaire" Chamber meetings monthly
(see schedule)



2006 Chamber officers & board



- 2006 Officers

- President – Rick Reed
- Vice President – Lane Bleeker
- Secretary – Chris Cournoyer
- Treasurer – Bev Mital

- 2006 Board members

- Mike Clingsmith
- Angie Mapes
- Debbie Mulvania
- Vern Spring
- Steve Suiter



**Thanks for
your support!
Happy 2006!**